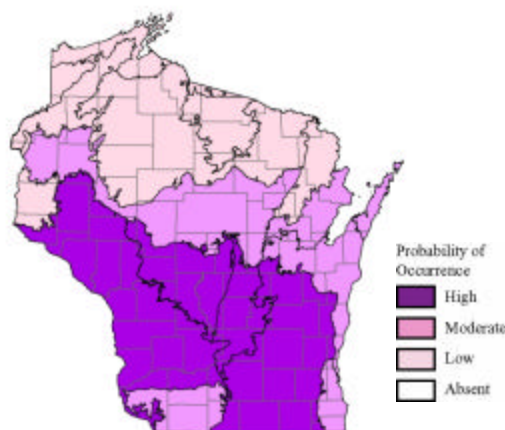


Yellow-billed Cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus*)

Species Assessment Scores*

State rarity:	3
State threats:	3
State population trend:	5
Global abundance:	2
Global distribution:	2
Global threats:	3
Global population trend:	4
Mean Risk Score:	3.1
Area of importance:	2

* Please see the [Description of Vertebrate Species Summaries \(Section 3.1.1\)](#) for definitions of criteria and scores.



Ecological Landscape Associations

Please note that this is not a range map. Shading does not imply that the species is present throughout the Landscape, but represents the probability that the species occurs somewhere in the Landscape.

Landscape-community Combinations of Highest Ecological Priority

Ecological Landscape	Community
Central Sand Hills	Floodplain forest
Central Sand Hills	Shrub-carr
Central Sand Plains	Floodplain forest
Central Sand Plains	Shrub-carr
Central Sand Plains	Southern dry-mesic forest
Southeast Glacial Plains	Floodplain forest
Southeast Glacial Plains	Shrub-carr
Southeast Glacial Plains	Southern dry-mesic forest
Southeast Glacial Plains	Southern hardwood swamp
Western Coulee and Ridges	Floodplain forest
Western Coulee and Ridges	Shrub-carr
Western Coulee and Ridges	Southern dry-mesic forest
Western Coulee and Ridges	Southern mesic forest

Threats and Issues

- Loss and fragmentation of southern forests, especially in riparian areas.
- Control of caterpillars and other insects might also be of issue with this species since it appears to track outbreaks of tent caterpillars.
- Threats during migration from tall, lighted structures and tropical deforestation are threats.

Priority Conservation Actions

- Conserve and restore floodplain forests where appropriate.
- Research is needed on population fluctuations and the potential links to caterpillar abundance, including gypsy moth.
- Provide a network of stopover sites, especially in riparian systems to benefit this and many other Neotropical migrants.